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1. WE HAVE TOLD COMUSK AND CINCPAC THAT WE HAVE NO OBJECTION IN PRINCIPLE TO SIGNIFICANT MILITARY EXERCISES IN KOREA. AT SAME TIME WE RESERVED RIGHT TO REVIEW EACH CASE IN LIGHT POLITICAL REALITIES PERTAINING ON OR ABOUT THEIR CRITICAL CANCELLATION DATES, WHICH FALL ROUGHLY 30 DAYS BEFORE EACH EXERCISE. I WOULD PREFER TO HOLD TO THIS POSITION RATHER THAN ATTEMPT LONG TERM JUDGEMENTS AT THIS TIME. I WILL BE HAPPY TO DISCUSS THIS AND OTHER QUESTIONS RAISED REFTEL IN COURSE OF MY FORTHCOMING CONSUL-TATIONS IN WASHINGTON.

2. WORKING LEVEL AT COMUSK TELLS US THAT FUEL SHORTAGES AND/OR BUDGET PRESSURES ON MILITARY MAY LEAD TO CANCELLATION ONE OR MORE OF THESE MAJOR EXERCISES.
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